

Idaho Education Network Program Resource Advisory Council (IPRAC)

December 8, 2009, Meeting Minutes

(Approved by Council February 9, 2010)

The December 8, 2009 meeting of the IEN Program Resource Advisory Council was held in the Barbara Morgan Conference Room of the Len B. Jordan Building, 650 West State Street, Boise, Idaho.

ATTENDANCE

Members/Designate(s) Present:

Tom Luna, (Chair) Superintendent of Public Instruction, Dept. of Education

Stephen Adkison, Associate VP Academic Programming and Review, Idaho State University (phone)

Mike Gwartney, Director and CIO, Department of Administration

Donna Hutchison, Idaho Digital Learning Academy

Rep. Wendy Jaquet

Sen. Shawn Keough (phone)

John Miller, Dean of Off Campus Instruction, College of Southern Idaho (phone)

Jim Reed, Superintendent, Weiser School District

Jerry Reininger, Director of Information Systems, Meridian School District

Alicia Ritter, President, Ritter Consulting – Strategic Communication

Charles Shackett, Superintendent, Bonneville Joint School District (phone)

Brent Stacey, CIO, Idaho National Laboratory

Designates

Allen Schmoock, alternate for Dene Thomas, Lewis-Clark State College

Others Present:

Rod Blaylock, Bonneville Jt. School District (phone)

Dale Bower, State Board of Education

Sally Brevick, Office of the CIO

Bruce Goslovich, GFC

Kelly Hogan, Visitor

Gens Johnson, ICL

Brady Kraft, IEN

Garry Lough, IEN

Teresa Luna, Dept. of Administration

Jodi McCrosky, Qwest Keith Murphy, Qwest

Jerry Piper, Cambridge Telephone Co.

Debra Stephenson-Padilla, IEN

Joel Strickler, Qwest

Mike Vance, ENA

Eldon Wallace, Retired

Troy Wheeler, State Dept. of Education

Call to Order

Superintendent Luna, Chairman, welcomed members and guests present and called the meeting to order. The Chairman also introduced Brent Stacey to the Council, Mr Stacey is the CIO for the Idaho National Laboratory.

Approval of Previous Minutes

MOTION: Mike Gwartney moved and Allen Schmoock seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on October 22, 2009; the motion passed unanimously.

STRATEGIC GOALS

The Council discussed a proposed Strategic Measurements Scoring Values Grid which assigns different values to courses depending on credits offered, length of course, and the number of students participating. This is a proposed means of measuring the use of VTC provided by the IEN and therefore the increasing success of the project over successive years.

The Council gave consideration to the characterization of "value"; weighting for large versus small schools; how exhaustive the list should be; how to assign value to the listed items; whether the scoring should be leveraged and if so, how; and adding metrics for higher education institutions that provide content. It was noted that the categories of High School Content, Professional Development and Community Development were not intended to be compared but rather to stand alone. The Strategic Measurements Committee will convene prior to the next IPRAC meeting to address more closely the issues raised.

EXPECTATIONS FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Discussion centered around the need for each school to: meet with a) the faculty b) community c) parents; describe to IPRAC the availability and accessibility of their lab; identify a facilitator; share a public communication packet prepared by the IEN; obtain signatures from the local superintendent, principal, technical directors and Board members; and meet with their local Board. The Council noted that this will be a fluid document and, as time passes, a better understanding of expectations will arise.

CHANGE TO IPRAC MEETINGS

The Council agreed that future meetings should take place on alternate months.

CONNECTION TO WYOMING

The Council connected by VTC to Dr. Jim McBride, Superintendent of Public Instruction for Wyoming, as well as Summer Wasson, WEN Scheduling Coordinator, and Clem Jimenez, Erate and Title IID Coordinator. Dr. McBride gave a brief overview of the Wyoming Education Network (WEN) with lessons learned and then answered questions put to him by Council members.

Adjournment

As there was insufficient time to hear updates, the meeting adjourned until its next scheduled meeting of February 9, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Brevick, Office of the CIO